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T. JACKSON,
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Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, February 27, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, Ceased on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & CO.

China, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest of Mr. WILLIAM M. DUNPHY in our Firm, Ceased on the 26th February, 1878.

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WEST POINT IRON WORKS,
Hongkong, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

MR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878.

GEO. R. STEVENS & CO.

Hongkong, January 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & CO., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of the AUSTRALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

G. R. STEVENS

Hongkong, December 29, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from This Date.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

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Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.
Hongkong, July 13, 1878.

AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,

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Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Japan having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, March 6, 1878. mcl8

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THIS S. S. Glanis Castle, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, into the Godowns of Mr J. V. SHAW, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai, unless notice be given before 1 o'clock To-morrow.

Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **ADAMSON, BELL & CO., Agents.**
Hongkong, March 7, 1878. mcl8

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THIS S. S. Glanis Castle, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, into the Godowns of Mr J. V. SHAW, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai and Yokohama will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m. To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 14th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **ADAMSON, BELL & CO., Agents.**
Hongkong, March 7, 1878. mcl8

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

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Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai, unless notice be given before 1 o'clock To-morrow.

Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **H. DU POUEY, Agent.**
Hongkong, March 6, 1878. mcl8

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

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Ex "Adm."
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Ex "Amazon."
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Hongkong, February 28, 1878.

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25c. M. 1, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
"CHINKIANG,"
S. Oren, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 15th Instant, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to **SIEMSEN & CO.** Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl8

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
The Steamship
"YESSO,"
Capt. S. Ashton, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 16th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to **DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.** Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl8

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIODO.
The German Steamer
"PRINZ FRIEDRICH CARL," Captain H. Mohr, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 16th Instant, at 5 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to **MELCHERS & CO., Agents.** Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl8

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The German Steamer
"PRINZ FRIEDRICH CARL," Captain H. Mohr, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 16th Instant, at 5 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to **MELCHERS & CO., Agents.** Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl8

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THIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, by Mr J. V. SHAW, into Messrs TURNER & CO.'s Praya-Go-down, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 22nd Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **MELCHERS & CO., Agents.** Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl8

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

P. & O. S. N. CO.'S S. S. GEELONG.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the Steamers *POONH* from London, and *KHEDIVE* from Calcutta, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

ADAM LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 11, 1878. mcl8

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenis Castle, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, into the Godowns of Mr J. V. SHAW, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m. To-morrow.

Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO., Agents.** Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl8

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

FROM This Day the MANAGEMENT of the above COMPANY'S OFFICE at this place has Provisionally been taken over by Mr CARL NIELSEN.

A. SUENSON, Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl8

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cleared from Sydney for Hongkong on 7th Feb. The *Sarah Nicholson* cleared from Sydney for Hongkong on the 8th Feb.; and the *Basin McDougal* left Adelaide for Foochow on 2nd Feb.

The U. S. corvette *Monongahela* arrived here to-day from New York via Suez, Singapore and Manila. Her dates are New York Sept. 22, Gibraltar Nov. 7, Alexandria 30, Suez Dec. 4, Aden 22, Bombay Jan. 10, Galle 31, Penang Feb. 7, Singapore 10, and Manila March 8. The *Monongahela* is to take the place of the *Tennessee* as flagship for a short time, but will probably be relieved about October by the U. S. S. *Richmond*, a much larger vessel. The *Monongahela*, is a vessel of 360 tons register and carries 11 guns, all on the upper deck, and is what is commonly called a sloop-of-war. She has seen some service during the civil war, and in conjunction with the *Lackawanna* attempted to sink the Rebel ironclad Ram *Tennessee* in Mobile Bay. The following is a list of her officers:—Captain: W. E. Fitzhugh; Lieut. Com.: J. B. Coghlan; Lieuts.: Webster Doty, J. C. Irvine, W. Kellogg, A. G. Henry; Master: G. W. Mentz; Chief Engineer: H. S. Dantz; Surgeon: J. Bogart; Paymaster: O. H. Thompson; Assistant Engineer: C. McConnel; Lt. of Marines: H. Whiting; Midshipmen: Rogers, Gilmore, Case, Constant, Rush, and Hall; Captain's Clerk: Carl Pohl; Pay Clerk: J. G. Meyers.

We take the following from the *Japan Gazette*:—

We learn that the *Ladoga* has been chartered to take rice to Hongkong, and that the *Augusta Klemmer* is engaged to transport a cargo of wheat to Amoy.

The American barque *S. R. Bourse* is chartered to load rice at Nagasaki for Tientsin.

The barque *Ella Loring*, which left Yokohama on the 17th September last, arrived in New York on the 26th January. Her report conveys to the many friends here of Captain Loring the melancholy news of his death from typhoid fever at St. Helena, on the 17th Dec. last.

The following passengers have been booked for China and Japan:—Per P. & O. steamer *Peking*, from Southampton, Feb. 7.—To Hongkong: Lieut. G. F. King Hall, Captain J. G. Mead, Mr. R. P. G. Lawrence. To Shanghai: Chief Justice French, Mr. T. Watters, From Venice, to Hongkong; Mr. Johans Lauta.

Per P. & O. steamer *Cathay*, from Southampton, Feb. 21. To Macao: Mr. E. Major.

Per Messageries Maritimes str. *Pelio*, from Marseilles, Feb. 10.—To Shanghai: Mr. George Hughes, To Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. Huber and family, Mr. Charles Bruce.

Per Messageries Maritimes str. *Djenne*, from Marseilles, Feb. 24.—To Hongkong: Mr. W. M. Deane.

Per Messageries Maritimes str. *Irouaud*, from Marseilles, March 10.—To Shanghai: Mrs. Pelham Oldridge, Mr. J. F. Goodfellow, Mr. Alexander Price, Mr. J. Wood, To Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Fry.

Per str. *Devotion* (Holt's line), from Liverpool, Jan. 26.—To Hongkong: Mr. Pender. To Shanghai: Mrs. Johnston and family.

(*L. & C. Express*, Feb. 1st.)

Latest Mail advices:—Yokohama via San Francisco, Dec. 23, Shanghai 14, Foochow 11, Hongkong 20. The advices dated as above were received from China and the Straits Settlements by the P. & O. Mail, via Brindisi, on the 23rd ult., and from Japan per Occidental and Oriental Company's steamer *Belgic*, via San Francisco, on the 30th ult. The next inward French mail, bringing dates Yokohama 18th, Shanghai 21st, Hong Kong 27th Dec., Singapore 3rd Jan., left Marseilles on the 31st ult. (yesterday), and will reach London on the 2nd, two days early.

Colonel Alfred Bassano, C.B., who went out to Hong Kong as military secretary to Major Gen. Colborne in September, 1874, will shortly have to resign his appointment, his promotion to major-general taking place at an early date.

Recently the Government of Japan made

proposition for a revision of the treaty concluded between Germany and Japan, on Feb. 20, 1868; this proposition being, indeed, founded on certain reservations contained in that treaty, for such alterations as time and experience might show were necessary. But in fact the tendency of the proposal of the Japanese Government goes much further. The duration of the treaties between the several European Governments on the one hand, and China and Japan on the other, is not fixed by any stipulated time or date, and they may be altered by the insertion of new clauses, but cannot be abrogated except by the consent of both countries. Now the Government of Japan appears to be ardently desirous of freeing itself from that guardianship which the European Powers, in virtue of the Treaty, are exercising over Japan. This object Japan hopes to attain by the proposed revision of Treaties; but the proposal of Japan does not seem to be regarded favourably at Berlin, the more so as every concession made to Japan would be readily discounted by China, which certainly would not hesitate to revoke the concessions respecting the Lekin-tax which Mr. von Brandt, with such great difficulty, obtained.

A meeting of the creditors of D. R. Macgregor and Co., Leith, whose suspension was recently announced, has been held. It was reported that the firm had prepared a statement of affairs, but it was difficult to estimate the amount of many of the assets and liabilities. In the statement the total liabilities of the firm were set down at £183,000, from which there fell to be deducted £1,200 in respect of debts fully secured, and £61,000 for others partially secured, leaving a balance of £130,000. The assets were estimated at £60,000. On the personal estate of Mr. Macgregor the liabilities were stated to be £31,000, and the assets £8,100. After some conversation respecting the state of affairs, in the course of which it was pointed out that it would of course be for the trustee to prepare a revised and accurate statement, the meeting proceeded to the election of a trustee.

The French Government have presented through our Board of Trade a complimentary letter and gold medal to Captain Gruland, of the *Glenarvan*, for services rendered to the Messageries steamer *Melville*, wrecked in the Red Sea.

The Mikado of Japan has presented two magnificent volumes of Japanese poetry to Mr. R. H. Horne, the author of "Orion," in recognition of his recently published "Odes to H. I. M. the Mikado." These volumes consist of panegyrics by the best living Japanese poets, presented to their Sovereign on the occasion of his latest political and social reforms.

The *Falcon*, 3, composite gun vessel, Com. B. F. Clark, fitted out at Devonport for the China station, is out of the dockyard hands, and has been moved out of harbour to prepare for her steam trials, etc.

Mr. Creagh fixed the defendant £1.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.
(Before His Lordship Acting Chief Justice SNOWDEN.)

March 12, 1878.

Lee Mut v. Ng Kew, \$2810.

The plaintiff, a woman, sued for money due to her under several transactions in money loan association. The defendant is the woman known as Hung Mo Kew, who has recently run away from the Colony.

Mr. Francis, instructed by Messrs. Sharp, Toller and Johnson, appeared for the plaintiff, who formally proved the debt.

Mr. Tomlin, of the Land Office, proved the interest of the defendant in Marine lot No. 80, Inland lot No. 79, and Sea A. of inland lot 104. The defendant had a life interest in the last two properties, of which Messrs. Douglas Lepage and W. S. Scott were trustees. Mr. T. G. Linstead was also examined as attorney for one of the trustees, in reference to the life interests.

Judgment for the plaintiff, and property attached.

Kwok Choy v. Ng Kew, \$1000.—This was a case against the same woman in summary jurisdiction. Judgment had already been given, but to-day was the day for the return of the writ of foreign attachment. Mr. Tomlin also gave the formal proof, and property was declared attached.

Wong Chai Fook v. Ma Moi, \$10.—The plaintiff in this case was the Chinese doctor, who claimed for medical fees for attendance on the defendant's child for small-pox. After hearing evidence, his Lordship gave judgment for £1, and costs.

SUPREME COURT.
IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.
(Before Mr. Acting Justice Russell.)

March 12, 1878.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer v. Cheung On, \$245.98.—This was a claim for arrears of Police and Lighting rates.

The defendant is a large owner of house property, but has left it to be managed by some one for him. He was represented to-day by his agent, Lai Atto, who admitted the liability, but urged that he had not been able to collect the rates from the defendant's tenants, some of whom were in arrears for several quarters.

Judgment for the Crown, with costs, for whom Mr. Sharp, Crown Solicitor, appeared.

Choy Lot Hing and Anr. v. Leong Yon, \$90.78.—Mr. Denmyns appeared for the defendant and applied for postponement on the ground that the accountant of the defendant who knew all about the matter, was at present absent from the Colony, on account of the death of his mother. The defendant, Mr. Denmyns urged, was the well-known compradore, and was prepared to give either security or pay the amount into Court.

His Lordship granted the application for three weeks' adjournment.

J. B. Watson v. J. R. White, \$700.—This was a claim for lease money and for repairs that were necessary to be done to the house. The plaintiff was the proprietor of the Stag Hotel, and he leased it to the defendant for two years, expiring on the 1st November 1877. The plaintiff returned to the Colony on the 15th of that month and arranged with the defendant that the defendant should continue to be in the house until the end of the year. The defendant, however, kept the house on till the 27th January last. As to repairs necessary to the house, the defendant employed a person to make an estimate on his behalf, while the plaintiff employed Mr. R. S. Neate. There was, however, very little difference in the two estimates, and the defendant wrote a letter to the plaintiff on the 31st December last, accepting Mr. Neate's estimate.

The defendant contended now that there was a difference of some \$80 in Mr. Neate's estimate, and that he kept the house on to suit the convenience of the plaintiff, and not to suit himself, as the plaintiff put it. His Lordship held that as the defendant had admitted the letter produced, it was too late for him now to raise any objection. Judgment for the plaintiff, with costs. Mr. Francis appeared for the plaintiff.

Cheong Ayeo v. Coker, \$12.50.—This case was further postponed, a fresh medical certificate having been put in, stating that the defendant, who is a Lieutenant in the Army, was so ill that it was necessary for him to go to Japan for a change of air. He was to leave to-day for two months.

The plaintiff urged that he was now out of employ, and it was hard that he should have to wait so long, and being out of employ, he might be away by the time the case came on again.

His Lordship thought the application for postponement was a reasonable one, and should be granted.

Francois Vincentot v. Wm. Pustau and others, \$40.—The plaintiff is a storekeeper, and the defendants merchants trading under the style of Pustau & Co. The claim was for damage to a cask of claret shipped to the plaintiff's order by the steamer *Altona*, of which the defendants were the agents.

Mr. Breerton appeared for the defence.

It appears that the plaintiff had 16 hogsheads of claret, 25 cases of wine and 26 cases of brandy consigned to him by the steamer *Altona*, which arrived on the 23rd October last, but one of the hogsheads appeared so bad, the hoops having been off, that he refused to take delivery of it, and now sued for the value. It had leaked very much and he believed it was not as much as three quarters full.

Mr. Breerton, in addition to the special defence of non-liability under the stipulations of the bill of lading, urged that the cask was not so damaged as that the plaintiff should refuse to take delivery and that the damage was what was called leakage damage.

Mr. Schmidt, shipping clerk in the defendant's firm, was examined. He said this was an unascertained loss, that it had not been ascertained whose fault caused it, or what extent of damage had been caused.

If it was proved that it was damaged while on board, he should have no hesitation to pay for the loss.

His Lordship thought this was a good case for arrangement.

Mr. Breerton said the defendants did not bring the case forward for the sake of the \$40, but on principle.

The case was adjourned till 2.15 p.m. for further evidence, such as the extent of damage &c., if necessary.

When the Court resumed, the case was adjourned till Friday next.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Manila.

(Translated from our Manila Exchanges.)

The Governor General Moriones returned on the 3rd March from his visit to the southern ports of the archipelago. Great demonstrations of sympathy were shown by the people generally for his safe return to Manila.

At half past 2 on the morning of the 23rd Feb., while a strong breeze was blowing, a fire broke out in the parish of Aguilas in the district of Tondo, in which a short time destroyed from 700 to 800 houses. The loss of property was immense, and great numbers of horses, pigs, fowls, &c., were burned; an old woman aged about 60 years and a child are said to have perished in the flames. The painful sight presented by the scene is beyond description. The Chinese engine, recently obtained, was one of the first at the spot and rendered valuable service.

The proposed festivities in honor of the King's marriage will not take place until after Lent, when another horse-race meeting will be arranged for the occasion, and a grant of \$60,000 is said to have been voted to defray the expenses to be incurred.

The return of the census for 1876 shows the population of the Philippines to be 6,000,000; of these 14,545 belonged to the army and 2,924 are members of the navy. The Chinese represented 30,797, and other foreigners make only 818.

The Government has lately received a magnificent mitrailleuse of Winslow system the approximate cost of which is said to be about \$30,000. A trial of this gun was made with very satisfactory results.

Some tobacco sent from Cagayan for the Paris Exhibition, through an accident slipped into the water while it was being transported to the custom house, but was finally recovered in a damaged state.

The Spanish steamer *León* will carry 6000 quintals Government leaf tobacco for Europe at 33 reales yellow per quintal.

The Spanish corvette *Dona María de Molina* arrived on the 24th Feb. from Europe via Singapore.

The U. S. corvette *Monongahela*, arrived on the 2nd March from United States via Puerto Princesa, in four days from the last named place.

The American ship *Cutter*, from Batavia, and the British barque *Anna Florence*, from Hongkong, arrived on the 27th February.

The American ship *Ellen Munro* arrived on March 8, from San Francisco.

News from Mariana Islands says that on the 16th October last a violent and destructive hurricane visited the island of Saipan, completely rased to the ground all the public buildings. The Government and Court Houses, Church, School, Gaol, Barracks, &c., were all destroyed. The sea water also increased, inundating the houses, but no lives were lost.

A most extraordinary phenomenon was experienced on the morning of 20th Feb., at the coast of Illoilo, when three vessels quietly at anchor there, were driven from their moorings by an invisible power, while there was no wind nor current at the time. Two lorcas were also driven to the port; one vessel lost her main mast, and a schooner with 250 native passengers on board, in the voyage from Negros to Guimbal, capsized, and 90 individuals were drowned, the remainder were rescued by Messrs. Gargallo Brothers' lorcas. A boat going on board an English vessel from the shore also capsized. All this occurred on the morning of 20th at 2 a.m., and no one can say what was the cause of this strange occurrence.

A double-murder was committed in the district of Laguna. The bodies of a man and a woman were found in a house on 9th Feb., and while the authorities were investigating the cause of the murder, a man named Castillo gave himself up as the author of the crime for having found his wife in adultery on his return home at 2 o'clock in the morning.

London, Feb. 22.—Several of the London papers assert that the Porte now refuses to adhere to the peace conditions with Russia, including the surrender of the Turkish Fleet. The Russians have occupied Rustchuk. The Turks have evacuated Erzerum.

London, Feb. 21.—The Army Estimates for 1877-1878 amount to sixteen millions, being an increase of \$400,000 over those for 1876-1877. The increase is chiefly devoted to war material. The votes for the Army Auxiliary Forces are set down at \$325,109.

London, Feb. 22.—The *Nizam*, with the London mail of the 8th February, sailed for Bombay at ten o'clock this morning.

the peace conditions which had changed the attitude of Germany. Germany will not interfere, but is willing to mediate, and cannot favour an alliance of Germany, Austria, and England against Russia. A meeting of a European Congress is now certain.

Vienna, Feb. 19.—In the Austrian Chamber of Deputies to-day the President of the Austrian Council of Ministers declared that Austria would preserve the interests of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy, and would object to any shifting of the balance of power in Europe.

London, Feb. 20.—Negotiations are still proceeding between England and Russia respecting the proposed Russian occupation of Gallipoli. The Government will make a statement on the subject to-morrow.

Rome, Feb. 20.—Cardinal Pecci [Italian] has been elected Pope by the conclave of Cardinals in succession to Pius the Ninth. The New Pope has assumed the title of Leo the Thirteenth.

[The new Pope was born in 1810, made Cardinal in 1858, and was until lately Archbishop of Perugia. He is one of the Moderate party.]

Rome, Feb. 20.—Cardinal Pecci was elected Pope by acclamation. The views of the new Pope are moderate, and his election is popular.

Constantinople, Feb. 20.—Server Pachac Minister of Foreign Affairs, has tendered his resignation, which the Sultan has accepted.

London, Feb. 20.—OBITUARY.—General Edward Miserter.

London, Feb. 21.—In the House of Commons to-night the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Sir Stafford Northcote), replying to a question respecting the proposed occupation of Gallipoli by the Russians, said that the result of the negotiations which had taken place was that Russia had undertaken not to occupy Gallipoli; the Dardanelles, or the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles, and that England, on her part, undertakes not to land troops there.

The Spanish steamer *León* will carry 6000 quintals Government leaf tobacco for Europe at 33 reales yellow per quintal.

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G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, March 6, 1878. mcl9



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Hongkong, February 28, 1878. mcl4

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Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

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Hongkong, March 6, 1878. mcl1

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2. That FRANCIS CHOMLEY be, and he
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